

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

[1] An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

[2] Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Robert Levy (Reg. No. 28,234) on Jun. 8, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

The method proposed in ~~claim 4~~ solves the problem of free scaling of raster images also for the cases in which the number of pixels per line and the number of lines per image of input image and output image do not form an integral multiple, that is to say for rational scaling factors. The scaling circuit ~~specified in claim 7~~ proposes a hardware arrangement which enables raster images to be scaled freely in real time. Advantageous refinements and developments of the invention are specified in the subclaims.

Specification at 3, Mar. 23, 2004.

[3] Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DAVID P. RASHID whose telephone number is (571)270-1578 and fax number (571)270-2578. The examiner can normally be reached Monday - Friday 7:30 - 17:00 ET.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Bhavesh Mehta can be reached on (571) 272-7453. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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